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Council of State Legislatures, one of the few clerks among the 50 states who received this award this year. He was awarded, by NCSL, the Legislative Staff Achievement Award, which is given to individuals who have demonstrated excellence in supporting the work of state legislatures and strengthening the legislative institution. Patrick O'Donnell received the Legislative Staff Achievement Award as a representative of the staff members of the Legislative Effectiveness Committee on the Assembly of State Issues and also is congratulated not only for his work to ensure the state through the success of that committee, but also its reemergence as the centerpiece of the Assembly of States Issues. And it goes on in some detail and at great length to recognize his contributions on the national level on behalf of the legislatures of all of the states. And for that I think a little bit of a handclap wouldn't hurt us all this Friday morning. Congratulations, Mr. Clerk.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Congratulations, Mr. Clerk. Introduction of new bills.

CLERK: Madam President, new bills. (Read LB 996-1014 by title for the first time.) In addition to those items, Madam President, Senator Schimek has amendments to be printed to LR 53. I have now from Senator Crosby amendments to LB 629. An announcement from the Chair of the Executive Board regarding appointments to the School Finance Review Commission and the Midwestern Higher Education Compact Commission. Madam President, Rules report, offering certain rules changes for the Legislature's consideration starting next week. A couple of announcements, Madam President. One, Revenue and Education will be meeting in a joint executive session at 11:00 today in Room 1517. Revenue and Education in Room 1517, 11:00. And Natural Resources will meet upon adjournment underneath the south balcony for a brief executive session. Natural Resources, upon adjournment, underneath the south balcony. Madam President, Senator Bohlke would like to have the Education Committee meet at 10:30 in Room 1517. Ten thirty in Room 1517 for the Education Committee. (See pages 189-95 of the Legislative Journal.)

PRESIDENT ROBAK: (Microphone not immediately activated)...that the following guest is here today. Dr. Jay Matzke here...is